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SUBJECT CIA's Complaint Against ABC

PETER JENNINGS: A report tonight about the CIA and ABC. The Central Intelligence Agency went back to the Federal Communications Commission today. The agency wants the FCC staff to reconsider an earlier decision dismissing the CIA's complaint against ABC for reports aired on World News Tonight last September.

Those reports dealt with alleged CIA activities involving an American businessman in Hawaii. And in a statement tonight, ABC News President Boone Arledge repeated ABC's contention that the CIA complaint is totally unjustified. "This renewed effort by the CIA," said Arledge, "should sharpen our originally stated concerns among all those who hold dear the principles of freedom from undue governmental interference."

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